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Letter from Fidelia Bridges, Canaan, Connecticut,
to Anne Whitney, Boston, Massachusetts, 1907
February 26

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Mrs Anne Whitney
The "Charlesgate"
Boston
Mass.

Feb. 26th 1904.

My dear Anne
I was most
thankful to get such
good news of you.
Wish you have the
art of drawing to you,
all that is sweet and
good - To think of
finding in this world
even a "soatiful
Suggestion" of dear
Abdoly's nobleness and
sweetness. It is so
good that you keep
so well, and that

You can go to
Shelburne this Spring.
As for your kind
proposition that I should
visit you in March -
I have thought about
it much. But
have decided that
it is a thing not to
be done for many
reasons. My maid,
John has been with
me for fourteen years,
is going to leave me
in the end of March
to have "a home of her
own". And I am
making search in all

directions for a suitable successor -
and must be on the spot here
to catch at any thread - for it
is not an easy matter to find
what I require - A trustworthy
individual, whom I can leave
alone here, whom I wish to leave
my home - and withal,
possessing all the accomplishments
of a cook and waitress. Add
to this, the almost universal
aversion to the solitude of the
country for all the year round,
and you will see my chances
are scant. You mistake in
thinking of my residence here
as ~~very~~ lonely. It is not isolated.
The Browns' house is within
sight, and half the evenings of
the week, I go there. There are
plenty of kind people close by,
who, in case of an accident, would
wonder respond to the least demand.
I have two sleeping rooms in
my cottage - and to have a per-
manent companion, if such existed

whom I should
wish — would debar
me from having a
guest — By the way
there are two friends
who at different times
in March will come
to me for a few
days — As the dates
are not fixed — I could
make no plans to run
off, you see. — But
come true, dear friend
I hope I may have
that pleasure of coming
to you. May you
keep well and strong
and be the same noble
and valiant woman
for many years to come.
And believe always in the affection
of your friend
Fidelia